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DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



Jim Pillen, Governor

January 31, 2025

Mr. Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature
P.O. Box 94604
Lincoln, NE 68509

Subject: Number of NE Mental Health Commitment Records Submitted

Dear Mr. Metzler:

Attached you will find the biannual report on the number of Nebraska mental health commitment records submitted to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 69-2409.01.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thomas Janousek Psy.D.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Thomas Janousek, Psy.D.
Director, Division of Behavioral Health

Attachment



Division of Behavioral Health

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Neb. Rev. Stat. § 69-2409.01

Nebraska Mental Health Commitment Records Reported to National Instant Criminal Background Check System Status Report

In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 69-2409.01, the Nebraska State Patrol and the Department of Health and Human Services are providing the following information about mental health commitments:

- (a) The number of total records of persons unable to purchase or possess firearms because of disqualification or disability shared with the National Instant Criminal Background Check System;
- (b) The number of shared records by category of such persons;
- (c) The change in number of total shared records and change in number of records by category from the previous six months;
- (d) The number of records existing but not able to be shared with the National Instant Criminal Background Check System because the record was incomplete and unable to be accepted by the National Instant Criminal Background Check System; and
- (e) The number of hours or days, if any, during which the database was unable to share records with the National Instant Criminal Background Check System and the reason for such inability.

Legislative Request as of:	December 2021	June 2022	December 2022	June 2023	December 2023	June 2024	December 2024***
(a)* – Total Shared Records	34,600	34,847	35,151	35,501	35,801	36,018	36,302
(b-1) – From Commitment Boards	20,359	20,547	20,741	21,022	21,260	21,477	21,641
(b-2) – From Regional Centers	14,241	14,300	14,410	14,479	14,541	14,615	14,735
(c) – Change in Total	399	241	304	350	300	217	284
(c-1) – From Commitment Boards	329	188	194	281	238	143	164
(c-2) – From Regional Centers	70	59	110	69	62	74	120
(d) – Incomplete	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
(e) – Hours Inoperable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Department of Health and Human Services – December 2024.

*(a) Reflects only those effectively shared with National Instant Criminal Background Check System. Incompletes reported in (d).

**Social Security Number or Date of Birth are required; however, this information has at times been missing or invalid creating an incomplete record.

***Starting in December 2024, the counts of new records are tracked through a new web-based system.

The report shall also be published on the web sites of the Nebraska State Patrol and the Department of Health and Human Services. Available at: <http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Mental-Health-Commitment.aspx> and <https://statepatrol.nebraska.gov/services/national-instant-criminal-background-check-system-nics>.